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To whom it may concern:

RE: COMMENTS ON 5-MILE ZONE STUDY AREA DRAFT RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
PLAN/ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

The Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) has done a very commendable job of attempting to develop a plan that has something for everyone. However, my preferred alternative would be that alternative proposed by the City of San Luis, Arizona, which includes parts of Alternatives C and D.

I would urge the BOR to work with the City of San Luis to expand within the area while protecting the wells and infrastructure necessary to fulfill our 242 agreement with Mexico. The area designated for the management of the Flat-Tailed Horned Lizard is set and should be retained. However, the land located to the west should be reviewed with the community of San Luis for development potential. This would allow the San Luis, Arizona community to grow, new jobs to be created and still ensure that the BOR is able to carry out its mission.

BOR, working with the City of San Luis, could develop the preferred alternative since both must follow the final Resource Management Plan, as it is adopted. This partnership will ensure that treaties are protected as well as our environmental process, and also ensure that the City of San Luis can plan for future growth and economic development.

I appreciate the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lenore Loroña Stuart".

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